

# Rikesh Mistry

Graphic Designer & Photographer

## SKILLS

I am a hardworking, bright young designer with an eagerness to learn and a drive to produce high-quality work. My interests lie in Product Design, Packaging, Branding, Photography, Web and Social Media Design. I am confident and organised with good time management skills. I also have experience working on live briefs, aided by my ability to handle deadlines and my determination to succeed.

I am proficient with design software packages and technical skills, which I have listed below:

- Adobe Illustrator
- Adobe InDesign
- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe Dreamweaver (and HTML programming)
- Microsoft Office
- Social Channels (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, Periscope)

My key skills are; research, ideas, problem solving, ability to work with others, analytical skills and self-motivation.

## EMPLOYMENT & WORK EXPERIENCE

<b>London Lead Tour Photographer</b>	<b>PlanetPass - London</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For a Tourism App capturing photography of specific locations using a DSLR camera having to meet required criteria, such as lighting. In order to capture the right image these factors must be accounted for therefore patience is key, taking a matter of hours to perfect.</li><li>• The App is used by tourists and local residents to receive a virtual tour of key hot-spots within London.</li><li>• Liaising with companies in order to gain photography permission for the companies situated along the tour route.</li></ul>	(Mar 2016 - Present)
<b>Design Lead &amp; Social Media Manager</b>	<b>JokePit - London</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Design creation for social media posting on Twitter, Facebook and JokePit's website for upcoming comedy events.</li><li>• Creating design work for event posters promotions, and leaflets using Illustrator and Photoshop.</li><li>• Managing and monitoring social media channels ensuring that comments and messages are read and replied to. These may be from comedians wanting to become part of the platform or from event attendees; converging and connecting comedians and fans.</li><li>• Remaining professional and knowledgeable about JokePit events as replying to messages as the face of the company.</li></ul>	(Apr 2015 - Present)
<b>Graphic Designer &amp; Office Administrator</b>	<b>Department for Work &amp; Pensions - Basildon</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Handling multiple roles from administration to design creation.</li><li>• Promoting and posting available employment via Twitter, designing logos and rebranding.</li><li>• One specific achievement allowed me to create clearer navigation for the JCP, making clear signage for relevant members. By creating specific designs, printed and laminating all components.</li><li>• Creation of stop motion animation for DWP website.</li><li>• Worked in both the DWP head office and JCP, and assisting with extensive IT support sessions.</li></ul>	(Jan 2014 - Apr 2014)
<b>Student Designer Intern</b>	<b>Boogles Ltd &amp; Ardyss Print - London</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Participated in a variety of projects; creating design artwork for posters, leaflets, and rebranding Boogles Ltd.</li><li>• Assisting in Ardyss printing services for clients in addition to logo creation for external companies.</li></ul>	(May 2010 - Jun 2010)
<b>Web Designer</b>	<b>SafeOnline - London (Client: Manesh Mistry)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Redesigning web components for SafeOnline.com, by rebranding assets of their website from the colour scheme to logo design. Which required the use of both Photoshop and Illustrator.</li></ul>	(Mar 2010 - Apr 2010)

## EDUCATION

(2008 - 2012)	<b>University for the Creative Arts, Epsom</b> BA (Hons) Graphic Design	2.2
(2006 - 2008)	<b>Chelmsford College, Essex</b> BTEC National Diploma in Art and Design Specialising in Graphic Design	Merit Pass Pass
(2005 - 2006)	<b>Chelmsford College, Essex</b> BTEC First Diploma in Art and Design	Merit
(2000 - 2005)	<b>Mayflower High School, Billericay</b> 10 GCSEs Studied	GCSEs Passed

## INTERESTS

Outside graphic design, I have a variety of other creative interests. I enjoy travelling, experiencing new cultures and ways of life; developing myself personally and creatively. Additionally I have an avid interest in music and film and in particular photography a lifelong passion. In order to develop mindfulness I enjoy volunteering at events, keeping active at the gym and through the practice of yoga.

References available upon request